

Excerpt from a Department of
State memorandum for the Director
of the Bureau of the Budget dated
September 27, 1962

The Secretary of State has proposed the issuance of an executive order granting to the Department of State the authority to make communications of Restricted Data in accordance with subsection 144b of the Atomic Energy Act. To date, similar authorization has been granted to the Department of Defense and to the Central Intelligence Agency. It has now been determined by the Department of State, with the concurrence of the Department of Defense and the Atomic Energy Commission, that there is a specific need for the Secretary of State and his principal subordinates, and in particular the United States Permanent Representatives to the NATO Council, to be authorized to convey to selected officials of the NATO countries certain items of Restricted Data. This would be the same type of information as is presently communicated by officials of the Department of Defense to their NATO military counterparts. It is necessary that the civilian policy-making officials of the NATO countries be sufficiently informed on these matters to enable them to discuss them with their military colleagues and to make sound decisions on policy matters relating to NATO's nuclear role.

To fill this need issuance of the enclosed executive order is proposed. It is virtually identical to the executive order issued by the President on December 9, 1960 (Executive Order 10899) authorizing the CIA to be a channel for the communication of Restricted Data, and has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 11030. This proposal conforms to United States policy concerning our nuclear arrangements with NATO and to the requirements of our continuing relationship on nuclear matters with the NATO Council members and with senior civilian policy-making officials of NATO countries.

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Remarks: The Bureau of the Budget has requested this Agency's views on the attached proposed Executive Order which would authorize the Department of State to communicate Restricted Data under certain circumstances. As indicated in the excerpt of State's memorandum (also attached) the draft proposal is virtually identical to the order issued in December 1960 authorizing this Agency to communicate RD for intelligence purposes. We would appreciate your [redacted]
9 October 1962.

Assistant Legislative Counsel

No DD/I comment as Agency not directly involved.

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